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TO OUR SERVICEMEN

Father Peppard

It was just about a year ago that the Rev. James P. Peppard came to Massillon to take over his new duties as pastor of St. Joseph's church.

He came to us from Maximo, Ohio, where he had been pastor of St. Joseph's parish for about three years and where all his parishioners were known to him.

Probably, the same questions that came to our minds, came to his and we were all wondering whether it would be so easy for him to accept us and for us to accept him.

But there need have been no fear on our part, for scarcely had we listened to one of Father's famous sermons or merely talked to him a few minutes, than we knew without a doubt that we liked him and respected him.

We hope that he likes us as well and as his parishioners we take this opportunity to pledge to him our wholehearted cooperation and loyalty

Father Peppard was born and reared in Cleveland, having attended St. Edward's grade school, Loyola high school and Ignatius (John Carroll) university. He received his education for the priesthood at St. Bernard's Seminary, Rochester, N.Y., St.

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Paper Is Dedicated To St. Joseph's Boys

Now that we have attained one of the goals toward which we have been striving--the unconditional surrender of Nazi Germany--the efforts of everyone on the home front, as well as on the battlefields are concentrated on the large task of winning victory over Japan and a lasting peace for the world.

To show our appreciation in a small way to St. Joseph's service men and women for their part in bringing peace to the world, St. Joseph's Young People's Club--young people of the parish over high school age--is attempting to publish a paper containing church and club news, social items, and news concerning the servicemen. We gratefully and fondly dedicate this newspaper to members of St. Joseph's parish in the Service.

Primarily for members of the parish in Service, the paper will be sent periodically to parents of St. Joseph's servicemen and women, in the United States and overseas, who are requested to mail the paper to them, since it would be impossible for the newspaper staff to maintain an accurate mailing list of the soldier's address.

Since this is your newspaper, the staff of "St. Joseph's Times" will welcome and appreciate any suggestions or criticisms that you may have concerning it. You may address any news items or other correspondence to the "St. Joseph's Times," St. Joseph's Rectory, Third St. S.E.

Thus far over three hundred young men and women of St. Joseph's parish have been inducted into the service. Our parish is represented in all branches of the war effort. In another column are listed the names of those who have paid the supreme sacrifice, who have given their lives that we might have freedom. The memory of these dear friends will remain constantly in our prayers.

We look forward anxiously with hope and prayer to the return of the vast majority and to the participation of the many in our activities. A new world is being unfolded. New problems will be presented to us rapidly during the coming years. You will return to us with new ideas that may be happily joined to our old and basic ideas. With your help and cooperation we see the days ahead when our club will become the most progressive and interesting social group in our community.

Welcome into our club and we hope you will enjoy our newspaper!

Father O'Shaughnessy

Not long ago a priest came into our midst, a gentle kindly man, and it was our good fortune to become acquainted with him during our visits with him at the meetings of the Young People's Club.

The person referred to is Father O'Shaughnessy, assistant pastor at St. Joseph's and organizer and advisor of the Club. Aside from his responsibilities as assistant pastor, which is a busy day in any man's life, he finds time to supervise and take part in all of the activities of our club. He is a grand sport and lots of fun.

At the time Father came to us there was no activity of any kind for the young people of the parish. In his short stay here, he has a fine club under way and Father James Peppard, pastor, organized a club for the High School group.

Both are doing a fine job of keeping the young people's interests in their own parish.

Father O'Shaughnessy is doing God's work in an untiring way. He is showing the young people there is a right way to live, and in return not wealth or the blowing of bugles but rather the only recognition he will

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Editorials

Humbly and with prayerful hope we send forth our first issue of St. Joseph's Times. Our lack of experience in a work of this nature fairly forces humility upon us, but buoyed up with the hope of future success we press gallantly on: with the hope that our efforts in publishing a club paper will bind more closely the home ties of service men and women of St. Joseph's Parish now spread throughout the world. With the hope also that in attempting this effort we will have some part, little though it may be in the clarion call of Our Holy Father to Catholic Action.

All of us have come to the personal knowledge, in these times, of the tremendous power of unity. We have seen and are seeing the crushing blows dealt the enemies of civiliztion brought about by our armies united as one. Our Service men traveling on all parts of the globe will come back to us with a clearer perception of the unity of the Church. We hope that our small paper will have a part to play, in our sphere, as a binding force in the bond of unity. The bond that unites us to our home and church.

Father O'Shaughnessy
Club Advisor

Who said the beautiful things of yesterday are not the satisfying things of today? Here at St. Joseph's there is a group of young women who are as noble as were their mothers and grandmothers before them. They refute by their actions and the pleasure gained from these actions that the good days are still the best days and that the innovations of today are a long way from satisfying.

This group of young women are thorough Christians. They love all the Church teaches them and because they are what they are, all who come in contact with them admire and respect them. These are the young women our boys look forward to meeting when they return from the battlefields of the world. Their nobility of soul and their fidelity to purpose will do much for the restoration of a world now on the brink of destruction.

In a world of savagery and hate and in the midst of a society decadent and foul, in an atmosphere of trickery and deceit, face to face with a culture sick and dying, it is well to know there still are some who spurn it all and spurn it in preference to that which is old and good and holy and godlike.

Thus, my dear readers, you have some idea of the type of girl found in our midst. She is your daughter, your sister, your neighbor. She and many more like her is our hope for the future. Yes, the old fashioned girl of yesterday is the new fashioned girl of today. She is the same girl the world admires and loves. She is the girl who knows God and observes His laws.

Father Peppard
Pastor

OUR CALENDAR

April	1	Easter boxes to state hosp.
	3	Club meeting
	6	Bowling
	13	High school club meeting
	13	Bowling
	15	Opening of Forty Hours
	15	Communion breakfast
	17	Closing of Forty Hours
	18	Club meeting
	22	Tour of Fletcher Hospital
	27	High school club meeting
	27	Bowling
May	1	Treasure hunt & wiener roast
	3	Club meeting
	7	Marriage of Ida Shannon and Cpl. Robert Hunt, USMC
	11	Bowling
	13	Mother's Day
	15	Club meeting
	17	Bingo party
	18	High school club meeting
	20	Communion Sunday for club
	23	Shower for Ida Shannon
	27	May crowning
	29	Club meeting

Club Holds Wiener Roast

The first scavenger hunt and wiener roast of the season for St. Joseph's Young People's Club was held Tuesday evening, May 1st. Club members met in the assembly hall at 7:30 P.M. and started off in groups of two's and three's hunting the very cleverly hidden clues. The hunt took the members from Third St. to Oak St. and up Oak to the Tiger Stadium. The first to arrive at their destination with all clues correct were the Misses Gladys Wantz and Mary Katherine Riordan, who received a prize of one peck of dumdums which they divided among the club members.

As the evening was chilly the big warm fire built by Tom Peppard and members of the committee was certainly welcomed by everyone. One of the high lights of the evening was Father O'Shaughnessy's losing his first hot-dog in the fire. He speared it, burned it a little more and then ate it. Besides the wieners marshmallows and pop were enjoyed by everyone.

Fr. O'Shaughnessy Honored At Party

An unusual air of festivity was apparent at our club meeting Tuesday evening, May 29th---the focus of attraction being a beautifully decorated table in the center of which was a birthday cake complete with candles. The reason for all this---a birthday party for Father O'Shaughnessy.

After our regular business session, lunch was served and a gift was presented to Father. We were honored at the party with the presence of Father Walter B. Martin, of Ashtabula, Father Peppard, Father Fitzgerald, and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Peppard.

Mrs. Peppard presented several vocal selections and group singing and games were the other diversions of the evening.

Who's Who

Miss Elizabeth Riffil

Elizabeth Riffil has been chosen as St. Joseph's first who's who.

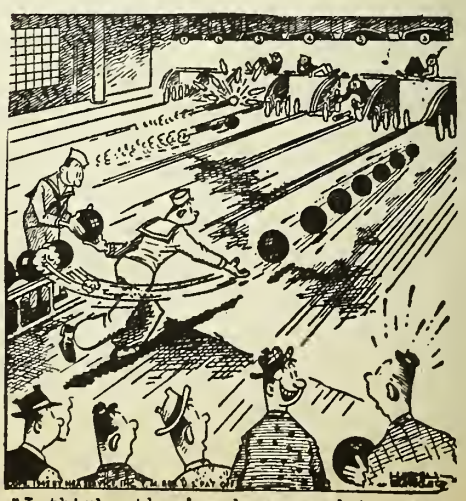
She was elected May Queen at a recent meeting of the Young People's Club of which she has been an active member since its organization last November.

Being quiet and sweet to every one has won many friends for Elizabeth.

For pleasure she likes reading, hiking, friendly people and dogs. Cats and catty people are definitely on her down list.

Elizabeth graduated from Washington High in 1938 and now is employed as secretary to Father Hartmann of Canton, at Calvary Cemetary on the Massillon, Canton road.

Elizabeth has a twin sister, Evelyn, who is married to Leo. Herman.



"I think they've been used to passing the ammunition!"

IDA SHANNON WEDS CPL. ROBERT HUNT

The marriage of Miss Ida Shannon, a member of the Young Peoples Club, to Cpl. Robert C. Hunt, U.S. Marine Corp, took place Monday morning, May 7, in St. Joseph's Rectory. Mrs. Francis Elum, a sister of the bride, was matron of honor, and Ralph Frank served as best man. A wedding breakfast followed at Hotel Onesto, Canton.

Cpl. Hunt reported to Cape May, New Jersey on May 27, and was joined June 4, by his bride.

OBERHAUSER-URBAS NUPTIALS

At a nuptial high mass in St. Barbara's Church, James Urbas, first president of St. Joseph's Young Peoples club exchanged marriage vows with Miss Virginia Oberhauser, foster daughter of Mrs. Peter Petrunic of 1831 Lincoln Way West.

Jim, who has received an honorable discharge from the Army, is now employed at Eaton Mfg. Co. After their wedding trip, the young couple will take up their residence at Edwin Ave. S. E.

The members of the club wish the newlyweds much happiness in the future.

SAILOR'S ENGAGEMENT

The engagement of Miss Thelma Doroslov, of 628 Wabash Ave. S.W. to Seaman First Class Paul V. Friedrich, 56 Forest Ave. S.E., who is stationed at Tacoma, Washington, where he is awaiting assignment to an aircraft carrier is announced. No date has been set for the wedding.

SOLDIER'S WEDDING

Pfc. Joseph Nemeth, lately discharged from the Army, was united in Holy Matrimony with Veronica McNulty a member of the Women's Army Corps, on Saturday June 2nd at St. Mary's Church.

I'm just a little girl,
My name is Lila May;
But don't you like my happy smiles?
I wear it every day!

For mother says that smiles do much
To make the world seem right;
And I think it is lots of fun
To smile from morn 'till night!

-Louise Price Bell

Club Members Visit Fletcher Hospital

A group from St. Joseph' s Young People's club visited Fletcher army hospital at Cambridge, Ohio, Sunday, April 22. Gifts of candy, cookies, gum, cigarets, fruits, playing cards, games and magazines, donated by club members and St. Joseph's parishioners, were given to the patients.

The group toured the building and visited some of the wards. They also attended a USO show in the hospitals USO hall.

Members who made the trip were the Misses Gladys Wantz, Helen David Gertrude Riordan, Mary Helen Hoey, Ruth Zwick, Marcella Eagen, Gerry Romer, Doris Rohr, Mary Montini, Ida Shannon, Edna Johnson, Mary Margaret Friedrichson, Eva Davis, Elizabeth Riffil, "Pete" Romer and the Rev. Thomas O'Shaughnessy, advisor.

V-E DAY ON HOME FRONT

Massillon celebrated, or rather "observed", V-E Day, Tuesday, May 8, by going to church and thanking God for the European victory and imploring him to bring victory over Japan and a complete and lasting peace soon.

St. Joseph's held services about one half hour after the V-E Day proclamation by President Truman. The rosary, prayers of thanksgiving, a short sermon and benediction were held.

Every church in Massillon was open for services V-E Day. A program of prayer, hymns and patriotic songs and fireworks was held in the evening at Tiger stadium. All retail stores, bars, and restaurants were closed all day.

The Rev. Ralph J. Friedrich, who is assistant pastor of St. Columba's Cathedral, Youngstown, celebrated mass at St. Joseph's on V-E Day. His brothers, Seaman First Class Paul V. Friedrich and Jimmy Friedrich, fourth grade at St. Joseph's served the mass.

It's A Date!!

Massillon's going to have a brand new modern, up-to-date hotel after the war. Be seein' you in the lobby in '47!

FATHER PEPPARD -----cont'd

Mary's, Cleveland and Mt. St. Marys, Cincinnati, and was ordained into the holy priesthood, March 28, 1935.

Father is a veteran of the first World War, which, perhaps, explains his great interest in the boys in the service-not only in this parish-but in the other parishes in which he has been connected.

An interest in the welfare of the young people of the parish prompted Father Peppard to organize a high school club for high school boys and girls.

All in all, we can look upon Father Peppard, not only as a friend and a spiritual advisor, but also as a pastor of whom we can all be proud

A CHARMING COUPLE

Father Peppard in coming to Massillon brought with him two very charming people, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Peppard. They came from Detroit, where Tom was connected with the Great Lakes Steel Co., to Maximo, Ohio, to keep house for Father Peppard. We are now pleased to have them with us. They have taken over duties of all kinds in both church and rectory, Mrs. Peppard is kept very busy with the house work and cooking for the priests and their guests. Her duties did not end with housework, as she sang and was organist at church until March of this year, when ill health prevented her continuing this work. They celebrated their 18th wedding anniversary June 15th.

Both are well liked by all who know them, and the Young People's Club appreciate the help both have given in club activities. We take this opportunity of thanking them for they are appreciated by all.

Incidentally any one knowing the where abouts of-or having any information as to the disapperance of the black and white bull terrier of Mr. and Mrs. Peppard are asked to notify them immediately. The dog being a great pet and watch dag was last seen March 26th. We still have hope the pet will be returned. It answers to the name of Paddy.

COMMUNION SUNDAYS

One of the most important purposes of our club, of course, is to instill in its members a deeper love for things spiritual and to encourage them to lead exemplary lives. To this end, the first action of the club was to name a Communion Sunday, that is, a Sunday on which the members of the club would receive Communion in a body. It was decided that this event would take place at the 7:30 Mass on the third Sunday of every month, and we are pleased to note that an unusually large percentage of the club has been present on these Sundays to receive the Holy Eucharist.

It has also been decided that every third month a Communion Breakfast would be served to the members after the reception of Holy Communion. The first of such Breakfasts thus far in our club's "life" was held on Sunday April 8th, 1945, in the church basement. Father O'Shaughnessey, our advisor, headed the T-shaped breakfast table at which about thirty members were seated. A delicious breakfast was served by the committee.

FATHER O SHAUGHNESSY- cont'd

ever want to see his efforts bear fruit in the form of clear minds and good citizens of tomorrow.

Father was born and reared in Montreal, Canada, attended Catholic High School, and Le Grand Seminary of Montreal. He also attended Catholic University at Washington D.C. and was ordained in 1935.

Prior to his present assignment he was attached to the diocese of Charleston, South Carolina, where he also served as an auxiliary chaplain

ASSIGNED TO CANTON, REEDURBAN PARISHES

St. Joseph's parishioners found the old saying "Every cloud has a silver lining" quite true last October when Father Owen Gallagher and Father William Fitzgerald left our parish to assume pastorates in other churches.

We have missed Father Gallagher very much but our sorrow in his going has been subdued by the fact that, by losing close contact with one friend, we have gained the friendship of two more, Father Peppard and Father O'Shaughnessy. We are happy that we still have the opportunity of seeing Father Fitzerald.

Father Gallagher has been assigned to St. John the Baptist church, Canton, as pastor. He has been extremely busy in his new parish and has taken an active interest in the problem of the expansion of Catholic high schools to meet the present overcrowded conditions. St. John's high, which has been for boys and girls will accomodate boys only next year and the St. John's girls will attend Mount Marie academy.

Father Gallagher took an active part in the civic affairs in Massillon and his counsel and assistance are no doubt missed by the people of Massillon as well as his former parishioners.

Father Gallagher also was dean of the Massillon deanery while at St. Joseph's. He came to Massillon about six years ago to be pastor of St. Joseph's church, succeeding the late Rev. Dominic Sweeney.

Father Fitzgerald, who came to St. Joseph's in July, 1934, is pastor of the newly organized St. Joan of Arc parish at Reedurban which was founded about six months ago by His Excellancy, the Most Rev. James A. McFadden, S.T.D., bishop of Youngstown.

Three masses are being celebrated each Sunday in the gymnasium at Mount Marie which is being used as a church until after the war when materials will be available for building a new church, school and rectory. Meanwhile Father Fitzgerald is actively engaged in sponsoring card parties and other affairs for the benefit of his church fund.

Father Fitzgerald is very proud of his parish as he has every reason to be. He is especially proud of his first First Communion day in the new parish's life, which was held a few weeks ago when 11 public school boys and girls received the Holy Eucharist for the first time.

Besides his duties in his new parish, Father Fitzgerald has been conducting religion classes the past school year at Mount Marie academy. He resides at St. Joseph's rectory.

Father Fitzgerald sends his best regards to his friends in the service and hopes they all come through in good shape and will come to see him after this war is over.

CLUB BOWLS AT OLJO

The meaning of the words "strike," "spare," and "gutter ball" (especially) was learned by some of our members for the first time the night of February 27th, when our club held the first bowling event. Several of us were old-hands at the game and quite a few of us were beginners, but beginners and old-hands alike enjoyed the evening immensely.

Since that night we have met frequently at the Oljo, and looking back on our bowling nights we remember.....how the rest of us accused Tom Peppard of stamping on the floor to make the ball go in the right direction (which it usually did).... the time Jo David made a strike the very first ball she ever rolled (and hasn't made one since).....the way Father O'Shaughnessey says he still prefers duck pins (especially when his score isn't too good).....how Ruth Zwick throws the ball with no particular destination in mind (and in spite of her wild throws doesn't do bad at all).....and finally that our star bowlers are Alice Drouhard and Mary Margaret Friedrichsen.

Our scores might not be in the 200's but we get as much fun out of our efforts as if they were....and think of all the good exercise we get, too!

MAY CROWNING AT ST. JOSEPH'S

Fr. Walter Martin Of Ashtabula Has Sermon

The May crowning at St. Joseph's Church was held Sunday evening, May 27th. About 50 members of St. Joseph's Young People's club, the High School club, and the eighth grade of the school, dressed in pastel formals, participated in the procession leading the May queen, Miss Elizabeth, and her court to the altar of the Blessed Virgin. Miss Riffil is a member of the Young People's club. Miss Elizabeth Howell of the High School club and Miss Patricia Heimann of the eighth grade were attendants, and little Miss Ann Riffil, niece of the queen, was crown bearer.

The queen was gowned in a floor length white gown with a finger-tip veil and wore a garland of gardenias and sweet peas in her hair. Little Miss Riffil also wore white with gardenias. The eighth grade girls carried red roses and the High School and Young People's club members carried arm bouquets of carnations and sweet peas, which were placed on the altar of the Blessed Virgin before she was crowned by Elizabeth. Services closed with benediction of the Blessed Sacrament by Father Peppard. Father Walter Martin, pastor of Mother of Sorrow Church, Ashtabula, gave the sermon.

Before the May crowning took place, the children who made their first holy communion at the 9:00 Mass renewed their baptismal vows and were enrolled in the scapular.

GENERAL SUMMARY OF CLUB ACTIVITIES

St. Joseph's Young People's Club was organized early in November 1944 by Father O'Shaughnessy. One of the club's first activities was to sponsor a Thanksgiving card party in the church hall on November 21. This was followed by another card party held on December 13 under the auspices of the High School and Young People's Clubs.

On February 10, the club went to Dennison, where they sponsored the servicemen's canteen for that day.

The third Sunday of every month was set aside as Communion Sunday beginning on February 18. Communion breakfasts are held every third month.

The subject of bowling met with the enthusiastic approval of the group, and February 27th found the Club at the Oljo for their first bowling party.

March 17th came rolling around, and with it the annual St. Patrick's Day party sponsored by the club in conjunction with the ladies of the parish.

The old adage that at heart we still are children sometimes, was proven Easter week, when the group colored eggs and filled 100 boxes with eggs, fruit, and candy, for veterans of the State Hospital.

April 22 found the club at Fletcher Hospital in Cambridge where they were taken on a tour through the buildings.

Who doesn't like Bingo!!! According to the crowd present at the club's first party on May 17, it seems that everyone must like to play the game.

Hot Dogs!!! Did they ever taste good when the group reached the staduim on a cool evening in May after an exciting treasure hunt!!!

May 27th was May crowning at St. Joseph's. Elizabeth Riffil was Queen and members of the Club took part in the procession.

This brings us to the first issue of St. Joseph's Times which you are reading now.

Mary Be Near Him

Keep my boy near thee, MARY
Blessed, Star of the Sea.
Guard his soul, lest midst war's
grim horrors,
And in pain and loneliness,
The tempter may find fertile soil.

To work his evil ways, thus despoil
A boy's young soul, new to the wiles
of evil.
Hidden in friendly guise,
To confuse young and lonely boys.

Guard my son, MARY, Star of the Sea,
That some day he'll come home to me.
But should his life be asked in this
great task,
Which he must do for God and country
be near him Mother.

Should he call for me,
Let angels wipe his brow and close
his eyes.
Then lead him home to Jesus and to
thee...

High School Club Party Honors New Members

St. Joseph's High School Club welcomed new members into the club Friday, June 8, at a program and party in the church hall.

Miss Mary Delores Brogan, president of the club, welcomed graduates of the eighth grade and other new members and presented a gift on behalf of the members to Father Peppard, club advisor.

Margaret Persell, Therese Bachtel, Patricia Lieberman, Eulalia Zwick, and Mary Delores Brogan participated in an enactment of the "Trolly Song" and "Meet Me In St. Louie" and Therese Bachtel, Mary D. Brogan and Roealeen Coleman presented a "Liza Jane" dance.

A guest quartet, the Four Sharps, of Washington high school, sang several selections and Miss Frances Moegling, a student at Mount Marie academy, played a group of piano selections.

A record player furnished music for dancing and refreshments were served by the committee composed of Lorita Gerbeck, chairman, Cornelia Callahgan, Patricia Lieberman, and Margaret Pertl.

Club Holds Shower For Mrs. Robert Hunt

Mrs Robert Hunt, the former Miss Ida Shannon, was honored at a post nuptial party on May 23rd by members of St. Joseph's Young People's club at the residence of Miss Gerry Romer

Contests were enjoyed and a SPEB-SQSA quartet, the Harmonizers composed of Paul Eckstein, Don Fricker, Howard Miller and Henry Jones, entertained with several vocal selections.

The guests ate by candlelight at a long table centered with a wedding cake on a crystal stand topped with a miniature marine and bride, flanked by daisies. Tall white tapers in crystal holders were placed at either end of the cake. There were 24 covers laid. Ida was presented a beautiful bedspread from the guests.

Club Holds Bingo Party

The club held its first bingo party Thursday evening, May 17th, following services, in the church hall. One hundred seventy-five attended.

Tom Peppard was the caller. Merchandise, which was donated by Massillon merchants, and cash prizes were awarded. The proceeds of the party are being used for the publication of this paper.

ROLL of HONOR

"---last full measure of devotion..."

Stephen Vargo

Paul Snyder

Frank Molnar

Edward Kozlevchar

Joseph DeMarco

Robert McGlynchey

Frank Marcus

Stephen Bogovich

Eugene Youngblood

WOUNDED

Pfc Frederick W. Kuntz was wounded in the leg in a battle with the Japanese on Luzon in the Phillippine Islands May 12. A war department telegram to Pfc Kuntz's parents stating that he had been slightly wounded in an engagement followed by 24 hours a letter to his mother in which the soldier wrote he had been wounded. His letter, dated May 16, stated he was getting along well and that his parents should not worry.

Pfc Kuntz who was employed in the composing room of the Evening Independent until his induction in the army Jan. 14, 1942, participated in two major battles in the Phillippines before he was wounded.

He is an artilleryman in the 38th division. He has been in the Southwest Pacific about 18 months.

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Seaman 1-c Dominic A. Dottavio sustained multiple wounds April 14 while in action in performance of duty in the Asiatic area. He has been in the service two and a half years. He received his boot training at Great Lakes naval training school and later saw combat service in the invasion of the Marshall Islands and the Phillippine Islands.

Prior to entering service Seaman Dottavio was employed at the plant of the Massillon Steel Casting Co,

HOME

Where the battle smoke is thickest,
Where bombs their challenge fling,
I can see a little cottage,
I can hear a robin sing;
When my eyes are almost blinded
By the light of tracer stars,
I can see a barn, and cattle
Waiting at the pasture bars.
When I lead, and bid men follow
Mid the cannon's deafening roar,
I can hear a baby's laughter,
And sometime, when war is o'er
All the things I see in fancy,
In this world of marching men;
Shall be mine to keep forever
When at last I'm home again.

By-
Lalia Mitchell Thornton

"---we here highly resolve that these

HONORED DEAD

shall not have died in vain..."

Frank Marcus

Mrs. Thelma Burkhart Marcus, and daughter received a letter from Maj. J. Ulio informing them of the death of Lt. Frank P. Marcus, who was killed in action in Komarom, Hungary He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Sigmund Marcus.

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Eugene Youngblood

Mrs. Joseph Tully, 23 Burton Ave. N. E., has received a telegram from the War Department informing her that her brother, Corp. Eugene P. Youngblood, 21, was drowned April 16 in Germany. Corp. Youngblood lived with his aunt, Mrs. Clarence Youngblood, 702 Ninth Street N. E.

SERVICEMEN'S NEWS

S/Sgt. Wayne C. Gerber was among the military guard of honor which escorted the body of the late President Franklin D. Roosevelt from Warm Springs, Georgia, to the White House. Sergeant Gerber, who entered the Army in January, 1941, participated in the campaigns on Guadalcanal, Bougainville and the Solomons and has been assigned to instruction duty at Fort Benning, Georgia since October. He has two brothers in service, Pfc. William G., with the Army Air Force, Bangor, Maine, and Sgt. Lawrence D., in Germany.

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Pfc. Edward Lee Sheppler is a member of the Air Transport Command under command of Brig. Gen. Earl S. Heag.

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Mr. and Mrs. Jack Darnell have been informed of a meeting between their sons, Charles Darnell, and Robert Bryce, both seamen first class serving in the South Pacific. The sailors have corresponded since entering the navy.

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Joseph Long has been promoted to motor machinist's mate third class. He is with the transportation division at Litchfield Park, Arizona.

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Jean Clementz, seamen 1/c, WAVE, is now stationed at the Naval Air Base, Norfolk, Virginia. She received her basic training at Hunter College, New York, and received her training as a storekeeper at Georgia State College for Women, Milledgeville, Georgia.

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S/Sgt. Wilson C. Bullach is taking a course in airplane mechanics at Keesler Field, Mississippi.

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Pfc. Joseph Briceland, formerly stationed at Camp Howze, Texas, recently spent a furlough with his wife, Mrs. Margie Briceland, and his daughter, Marilyn, of Canal Fulton. He entered the air corps in December 1942, and was recently transferred to the infantry.

Sgt. Charles E. Rohr has been cited by the anti-tank battalion of the 10th Mountaineer Division of the Fifth Army in Italy, and awarded the Combat Infantryman's Badge.

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Corp. William P. Smailes, a member of the 358th Field Artillery Battalion, was awarded the Bronze Star for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy during a strong German counterattack. Corp. Smailes efficiently performed his duty as a radio operator with a forward observation party and repaired wire communications under a steady hail of enemy fire. The forward observer was able to deliver the necessary information for supporting artillery fire for the Infantry. He has a brother in the service, Captain George J. Hiebel, now in Marseille, France, on the Mediterranean Sea.

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Pfc. Joseph Nemeth, a veteran of 41 months overseas duty with a total of 112 points, was discharged from the U.S. Army at Camp Atterbury, Indiana.

Pfc. Nemeth, who entered service August 8, 1941, went overseas December 16, 1941, and was stationed on the Hawaiian Island, Australia, New Guinea, the Philippines and other Pacific islands.

He returned to the United States under the rotation plan and was discharged upon his arrival at Camp Atterbury.

Pfc. Nemeth, who is enjoying his first glimpse of home in four years, wears the Philippines liberation ribbon with two bronze stars, the New Guinea and South Philippines ribbons, the Asiatic-Pacific ribbon with three bronze stars, the American defense service medal, the good conduct medal and the Purple Heart, for wounds received October 20, 1944, on Leyte in the Philippines.

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Seaman First Class Paul V. Friedrick is a soda jerker at the ship's service station at Tacoma, Wash. where he is awaiting assignment to an aircraft carrier. Paul recently graduated from catapult school at Philadelphia, Pa.

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The boys who visit USO halls and canteens aren't the only ones who may gaze upon famous faces. Walter Pidgeon visited Massillon Wednesday, May 16, and addressed a crowd at Tyson's on behalf of the Seventh war Loan. No, Greer Garson wasn't with him.

Cpl. Charles F. Piper is now in charge of an air strip in the Philippine Islands. He is a Medical Technician in the Engineer Amphibian Command. His work has been of various kinds, chiefly evacuating the wounded from the front line. Cpl. Piper has been in the service three years, half of which was spent over seas. He spent a year in the Jungle of New Guinea, then to Australia, Netherlands, East Indies, and now the Philippines.

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M.M.M. 2/c Joseph Silvester and Seaman 1/c Fred Cardinal recently met at Camp Shoemaker, California. The boys hadn't seen each other for three and a half years.

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The Joseph David family is well represented in Uncle Sam's armed forces, having two of their sons in the Army, one in the Air Corps, and the other in the Navy. Sgt. John David, who is stationed in Heidelberg, Germany, with the Signal Corps has been doing special radio work. He is in the Sixth Army Group of General Devers.

Sgt. Eser David is a patient at Crile Hospital recuperating from a leg wound. He received the Soldiers Medal and the Purple Heart. Sgt. Toe David is stationed on the Russell Islands in the Southwest Pacific. Tom David Ph M 1/c is at sea.

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Pfc. Theodore Montini, stationed in Heldrungen, Germany, received a commendation presented to the 957th Field Artillery battalion of which he is a member. He went overseas December 5, 1943, and was stationed in England until July, 1944, when he went into combat with the First army in France, Belgium and Germany. He has been awarded five bronze stars for the battles of the Cherbourg peninsula, northern France, Germany, Ardennes and Central Europe.

St. Joseph, patron of our church, guide and protect our boys and bring them home safely soon